

We have, however, a more direct interest in

invested in Mexican undertakings, and English merchants have carried their energies to Mexico for the joint advantage of both countries together. The revolutionists in their suicidal folly have actually visited with indignities and penalties the foreigners who were contributing to the resources of their State, and, though Englishmen who lend their money to foreign Governments do so on their own responsibility, British subjects may claim the protection of British power. The affairs of Mexico are nothing to us, but we are

thought to demand that as the country was so small that it may, shall abstain from visiting our countrymen with injuries or wrongs.

The only apparent parallel to this strange break up, is that suggested by the case of Poland, and here the parallel is apparent only in name. The truth is, that Poland was a turbulent and uneducated people, with a system of government which never worked evenly, and which, perhaps, must have ultimately proved incompatible with the better organized policies of its frontiers. But the Poles had a nationality which gave them strength and purpose, and which for some generations, enabled them to extend their territories at the expense of their neighbors. They once partitioned Prussia, and they once nearly annexed Russia, and, therefore, their disorganization, extreme as it was, had been in some measure artificially created, and the spirit which even to this hour is not extinct showed what a genuine vitality the nation possessed. In Mexico there is not a vestige of national unity. Of its seven or eight millions of population, about one million only are whites, the rest being Indians or of mixed blood; and these Mexican Spaniards have not succeeded, like the French Canadians, in preserving the spirit which they brought across the seas. Mexico has broken up from its own incapacity of self-government. The only thing which came into the Mexican consciousness 40 years ago, has never been extinguished, and is still a ghastly specter.

son; so that what should have been a mere temporary suspension of authority has provided a permanent abeyance of order. Despotism might have relieved the country, but the Mexican has been strong enough for a despot, and affairs, therefore, have gone from bad to worse, with interminable convulsions, senseless wars, losses of territory, and, at length, with such absolute political disorganization that no stage of decline can be more imminent, and men are only looking to see what may follow.

[COMMUNICATED.]

I would call the attention of the lovers of good music, to Prof. Forth's Concert, to be given at Sorella Hall, to-night. Modern Young has been before an Alexandrian audience, and I am sure acquitted herself to the satisfaction of her hearers. Her Daughter, a Baritone, of much power, rich and

tal abilities; out to Mr. Siff's performance in the Violin, I would warrant full approbation—he it was, who played the beautiful solo at St. Mary's Church, at the five o'clock mass, on Christmas morning. The first sounds of the Violin in the service of the church, excited my scruples, but ere many moments, I must confess, they gave way to feelings of devotion and admiration for the master who held the bow. A WATERER.

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